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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: VISIT OF CRSDA INC.

1. CRSDA HAS ASKED US TO INFORM ADDRESSEE POSTS OF THE SCHEDULED VISIT OF CHESTER LUCAS, PRESIDENT, CRSDA INTERNATIONAL; TOM BULLOCK, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF CRSDA INC.; AND HERB PASEUR, PRESIDENT OF CRSDA INC. TO DAKAR MAY 15-19 LAGOS MAY 19-25 AND ABIDJAN MAY 25-27.

2. FOR DAKAR: PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT TO OMVS. CRSDA WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS PROPOSAL WITH COMMERCIAL ATTACHE BEFORE DISCUSSING WITH OMVS. LUCAS WILL CONTACT COMMERCIAL SECTION UPON ARRIVAL.

3. FOR LAGOS: CRSDA HAS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE AMBASSADOR FOR A DISCUSSION OF UNCLASSIFIED

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OPPORTUNITIES IN NIGERIA. FIRM IS DESIROUS THAT BULLOCK

IN PARTICULAR MEET AMBASSADOR. PLEASE NOTIFY MEPD WHETHER THIS WILL BE POSSIBLE SO WE CAN PASS INFO ON TO CRSDA.

4. FOR ABIDJAN: PURPOSE IS TO MEET WITH GASTON DOSSOU AND OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. LUCAS EVIDENTLY MET WITH DOSSOU ON HIS LAST TRIP TO

ABIDJAN. MEPD PASSED ON TO CRSDA INFO THAT MANY OFFICIALS LEAVE ABIDJAN AFTER MAY 15 BUT WE WERE NOT SURE IF THIS EXTENDED TO AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK OFFICIALS. CRSDA IS REQUESTING EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS AT ADB SO WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY RESPONSE INDICATING WHETHER THIS PROPOSED SCHEDULE WILL BE APPROPRIATE. SISCO

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